

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY HELSINKI  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7071  
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AMEMBASSY BERN  
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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRD, GATT, EFTA, EC, FI  
SUBJECT: EFTA RULES OF ORIGIN

REF: (A) STATE 007330 (B) STATE 007333

1. ON JANUARY 15 ECONOMIC COUNSELOR PRESENTED REF  
NOTES TO MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS. COPIES WERE  
DESPATCHED SAME DAY TO GATT SECRETARIAT.

2. DEPUTY CHIEF OF COMMERCIAL DEPARTMENT (KAARLEHTO)  
REACTED FAVORABLY TO PRESENTATION AND NOTE AND SAID  
FINNS WILL BE PREPARED TO CONSULT WITH USG PURSUANT  
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TO GATT ARTICLE XXII:1. HE EXPRESSED HIS PRIVATE VIEW

THAT HE WAS HAPPY THAT THIS MATTER WAS NOT TIED TO THE FINNISH-EC AGREEMENT. ON RULES OF ORIGIN REQUIREMENTS, HE SAID FINNS FAVORED LIBERAL TRADE AND IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH EC REPRESENTATIVES HAD OBTAINED LIBERALIZATION FOR CERTAIN PRODUCTS. FINNS HAVE NOT YET HAD SUFFICIENT TIME TO DETERMINE HOW THE REQUIREMENTS MIGHT AFFECT THEIR TRADE BUT BASED ON EXHAUSTIVE STUDY MADE DURING NEGOTIATIONS, HE DID NOT ANTICIPATE DIFFICULTIES. WHEN REMINDED THAT PRESS REPORTS INDICATED THAT FEDERATION OF FINNISH INDUSTRIES WAS CONSIDERING SENDING SOMEONE TO BRUSSELS TO FOLLOW DEVELOPMENTS IN IMPLEMENTATION OF RULES OF ORIGIN REQUIREMENTS, HE ACKNOWLEDGED THAT HE HAD SEEN THE SAME ARTICLE. ON THIS MATTER, A FEDERATION REPRESENTATIVE HAS CONFIRMED TO THE EMBASSY THAT A MR. PEKKA KAUPPINEN OF THE CUSTOMS OFFICE WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THE FINNISH EMBASSY AND PROBABLY WILL BE GIVEN THE TITLE OF CUSTOMS ATTACHE. SOURCE SAID THE MAN WAS A YOUNG AND ABLE OFFICER AND TECHNICIAN THOROUGHLY FAMILIAR WITH CUSTOMS DUTIES AND RULES OF ORIGIN REQUIREMENTS HAVING PARTICIPATED IN FINNISH-EC NEGOTIATIONS.

3. WE HAVE GOTTEN DISTINCT IMPRESSION THAT FINNS WELCOME THIS REQUEST FOR CONSULTATION.  
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